

SENATE BILL 540  
By Black

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16,  
Chapter 15, Part 50, relative to general sessions  
court judges.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-15-5003(a)(1), is amended by deleting the language in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Effective September 1, 2006, general sessions judges in counties of the first class shall be paid a salary equivalent to ninety-seven and one-half percent (97.5%) of the salary paid to a circuit court judge.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-15-5003(i)(2), is amended by deleting the language in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, each general sessions court judge compensated under this part shall receive the same compensation as the most highly compensated general sessions court judge who is compensated under this part and is in a county of the same class if such judges have the same jurisdiction. General sessions court judges shall submit their salary information to the administrative office of the courts on a form devised by the administrative office of the courts. The administrative office of the courts shall be responsible for compiling and disseminating the collected information.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect September 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.